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33	1-29-54	w/copy cover page PH report to HQ re: 3rd party	7/1	-	Referral
34	1-27-54	w/copy cover page BS report to HQ re: 3rd party	6	-	Refusal
35	2-3-54	w/copy cover page NY letter to HQ re: 3rd party	1/1	1/1	
UR	1-21-54	PH teletype to HQ and NY	1	1	
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37	1-21-54	PH teletype to HQ and NY	1	1	
38	1-25-54	NY teletype to HQ w/copy cover page	1	1	
39	1-29-54	PH report to HQ re: 3rd party	8/1	-	Referral
UR	2-18-54	CG teletype to HQ re: 3rd party	1	1	
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Re: Thomas BLACK

Date: 1-18
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42	2-23-54	N.Y. to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd party	1	—	Refusal
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44	4-15-54	S.F. to HQ (Report) RE: 3rd party	2 1/2	2 1/2	
45	4-21-54	L.A. to HQ (Report) RE: 3rd party	2 1/2	2 1/2	
46	5-11-54	PH to HQ (Letter)	1	1	
46	5-3-54	N.Y. to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd party	1	1	
47	5-10-54	N.Y. to HQ (Report)	27	—	Refusal
47	5-10-54	N.Y. to HQ (Report) (copy)	27	—	11
48	5-20-54	WFO to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd party w/ form of doc	3	2	
49	5-24-54	L.A. to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd party	1	1	
50	5-26-54	S.F. to HQ (Report) w/copy of cover page	2 1/2	2 1/2	
51	7-8-54	N.Y. to HQ (Report) RE: 3rd party w/copy of cover page	4 1/2	4 1/2	

File No. 65-61847Re: Thomas BLACKDate: 1-78
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52	8-16-54	4 cover page HQ to NY (Report) w/ copy of copy to NY	1/4	1/4	
53	9-1-54	WFO to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party, whence	1/2	1/2	
53	9-14-54	HQ to NY (memo) RE: 3rd Party, whence	1	1	
54	9-7-54	WFO to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
55	9-23-54	HQ to NY (memo) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
56	10-5-54	NY to HQ (Letter) w/ search slips	1/3	1/3	
57	10-6-54	NY to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party, whence	1/1	1/1	
57	10-10-54	NY + OPEN Letter to HQ RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
58	10-13-54	NY to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
59	10-18-54	Schwepp to Branigan memo RE: 3rd Party	2	2	
60	10-19-54	LIA to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
4R	9-20-52	Schwepp to Branigan memo RE: 3rd Person	1	1	

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F. B. I. Department of Justice

Director, FBI (65-59452)

2/3/54

LAC, New York (65-15415)

NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: John
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: NY)

Rerep of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN, Philadelphia,
1/29/54, in which BLACK'S UNSUB JOHN is identified as
ERCHOV.

It is to be noted that NY letter to Director, 12/11/53,
entitled, "UNSUB, wa: John; ESPIONAGE - R," (Bufile 65-61847) (NY 65-16301), reflected
that future reports in that case would be entitled,
"NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaeovich Ershov;
ESPIONAGE - R." That case is, therefore, the case file on
ERCHOV. b7d

Instant case is, therefore, being closed by this letter,
and outstanding leads in instant case and all future investigation
re ERCHOV will be covered and reported in the case file entitled,
"NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaeovich Ershov;
ESPIONAGE - R," Bufile 65-61847, NY file 65-16301.

It is to be noted that the only outstanding lead in
instant case, to be covered and reported, as stated above,
is one lead for the NYO re ERCHOV, which was set out in rep.
Boston covered its leads set out in rep by Boston report
of SA WILLIAM J. PANTIJA, 1/27/54, entitled, "NIKOLAI
NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaeovich Ershov;
ESPIONAGE - R."

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59452)

DATE: 2/3/54

FROM : SAC, New York (65-15415)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: John
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: NY)

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NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov;
ESPIONAGE - R."

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1/21/54

DIRECTOR AND SAC

EMBASSY SUBJECT, KAL. JOHN, THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT, ESP - R. BLACK
DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPH OF NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV AS HIS
ULTIMATE SOVIET SPYMASTER JOHN. PHOTOGRAPH OF ERCHOV WAS SUBMITTED TO
PHILA FOR EXHIBITION TO BLACK UNTER THE CAPTION "EMBASSY SUBJECT, KAL.
JOHN, [REDACTED] ESP-R". BLACK STATES ERCHOV AS
JOHN WAS HIS SOVIET SPYMASTER FOR A SHORT PERIOD IN LATTER 1939 OR 1940.
BLACK DOES NOT BELIEVE HE MET JOHN MORE THAN THREE OR FOUR TIMES. JOHN
OR ERCHOV'S CHIEF INTEREST APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN IN THE SOCIALIST FEDERAL
PARTY AND HAD NO INTEREST IN INDUSTRIAL ESPIONAGE ACCORDING TO BLACK.
BLACK UNABLE TO PERTINSH ANY INFO RE THE CONTACTS OR ASSOCIATES OF ERCHOV.

REPORTS WILL FOLLOW.

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cc 65-4829 (URGENT, JOHN,
Informant)

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TO

Director, FBI (65-59452)

FROM

SAC, NY (65-15415)

SUBJECT

UNSUB, wa: JOHN; THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 1/6/54

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Re NY report of SA ARTHUR E. NEUBAUER 8/19/53 and lead
therein for WFO to attempt to locate certain photographs. (u)

It has been noted that investigation reported in WFO
report of SA HOLLIS W. BOWERS, 11/9/53 entitled, "UNSUB, wa:
PAUL SMITH, PAUL PETERSON, ESPIONAGE - R," WFO 65-5504, a re-
lated case, was sufficient to also cover the leads set out
for WFO in referenced NY report. (u)

WFO is requested to report the information appropriate
to the UNSUB, JOHN case in instant case also, as NYO does not
know the status of instant case in WFO. (u)

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~~See 7a letter 8-11-54~~

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA. JOHN, THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT, ESP - R. BLACK

DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPH OF NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV AS HIS

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PARTY AND HAD NO INTEREST IN INDUSTRIAL ESPIONAGE ACCORDING TO BLACK.

BLACK UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY INFO RE THE CONTACTS OR ASSOCIATES OF ERCHOV.

REPORTS WILL FOLLOW.

END

CPS:ARD
65-1377

CC [REDACTED] UNSUB: JOHN

ABEATICCHIO

Mr. Belmont

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Approved: [REDACTED]

Special Agent in Charge

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK, 1/25/54

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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BUREAU

UNSUB, WAS: JOHN, THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT, ESPIONAGE - R. WFO

DISREGARD NY LETTER TO BUREAU 1/6/54 AS SUBJECT IDENTIFIED AND PHILA-
DELPHIA REPORT TO FOLLOW.

Mr. Nichols
Mr. Abmont
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
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Mr. Belmont

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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI, CHICAGO

FEBRUARY 8, 1954

DIRECTOR, FBI

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RECORDED INFORMATION [REDACTED] ESPIONAGE - R. [REDACTED] ON INSTANT DATE FURNISHED A SIGNED STATEMENT TO SA'S HARRY A. WALKER AND HORACE H. WILLIS AFTER AGAIN VIEWING A PHOTOGRAPH OF NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH KUCHOV, STATING THAT [REDACTED] WAS "REASONABLY SURE" THAT KUCHOV WAS A SPY [REDACTED]

IN NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK. REPORT IN INSTANT CASE WILL BE SUBMITTED IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. b7d

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 2/24/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/27; 2/8/54	REPORT MADE BY HARRY A. WALKER
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NAME NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa	CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: On February 8, 1954, [REDACTED] furnished a signed statement advising that [REDACTED] is "reasonably sure" subject was [REDACTED]. Statement set forth.

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Dont disseminate to RAB States
CIA and NY Summary has been
submitted 2/3/54 - 100
NY Summary 2/16/54 and sent
to RAB, State CIA - HQ

DETAILS: **AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

On February 8, 1954, [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, furnished the following signed statement to SA HORACE H. WILLIS and the reporting agent concerning [REDACTED] identification of NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, [REDACTED] in the United States, known [REDACTED]

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2/17/54

"Chicago, Illinois

Chicago, Illinois, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents HARRY A. WALKER and HORACE H. WILLIS, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice. I have been advised that I do not have to make a statement, that I may consult counsel, and that the statement could be used against me in a court of law. No threats or promises have been made to induce me to make this statement. **b7d**

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"Special Agent HARRY A. WALKER has exhibited a photograph of a person whom he identifies as NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV. I am reasonably sure the man in that photograph is the man known to me

[REDACTED] in New York City, New York. b7d

I voluntarily gave to Special Agents HARRY A. WALKER and HORACE H. WILLIS on November 9, 1953. b7d

"I have read the above statement consisting of one page. I have initialed each correction and do hereby affix my signature to this page.

"Signed: [REDACTED] b7d

"Chicago 26, Illinois

"February 8, 1954

"Witness:

"Special Agent Harry A. Walker
Federal Bureau of Investigation

"Special Agent Horace H. Willis
Federal Bureau of Investigation"

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LEADS

LOS ANGELES OFFICE: INFORMATION

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE: INFORMATION

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE: INFORMATION

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REFERENCE

Report of SA HARRY A. WALKER at Chicago dated December 30, 1953. (a) 31

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

NEW YORK

FORM NO. 9
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN 2/27/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/27; 2/8/54	HARRY A. WALKER HARVEY A. WALKER
TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, etc. Nikolai Nikolaeovich Ershov		TYPE ORIGINATOR ESPIONAGE R	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS, 1954, [REDACTED] furnished a signed statement advising that [REDACTED] is "reasonably sure" subject was [REDACTED] Statement set forth. RUC - b7d			
DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS			
On February 8, 1954, [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, furnished the following signed statement to SA HORACE H. WILLIS and the reporting agent concerning [REDACTED] identification of NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, [REDACTED] in the United States, known [REDACTED] b7d			
"Chicago, Illinois			
<p>I, [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents HARRY A. WALKER and HORACE H. WILLIS, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice. I have been advised that I do not have to make a statement, that I may consult counsel, and that the statement could be used against me in a court of law. No threats or promises have been made to induce me to make this statement. b7d</p>			
APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED OF EXISTING SLIP(S) OF THIS INFORMATION 2/27/54 (b7d)		Classified by Exempt from GL Category Date of Declassification Indefinite	736 2/17/58
DATE APPROVED AND FORWARDED	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
(5 - Bureau of Internal Revenue REGISTERED) 3 - New York ([REDACTED] REGISTERED) 1 - Los Angeles ([REDACTED] REGISTERED) (Info) 1 - San Francisco (REGISTERED) (Info) 1 - Washington Field ([REDACTED] (Info) REGISTERED) 2 - Chicago [REDACTED]		65-61847-40 b7d FILE COPY - 4	

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DATE: 3/11/54

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5737)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT WITH ALIAS JOHN;
THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - RNIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ReBulet (O-1) dated 3/9/54, and NYlet 1/6/54, which requested that the information set forth in the report of SA HOLLIS W. BOWERS, Washington, D. C., 11/9/53, in the case entitled "Unknown Subject with Alias PAUL SMITH, PAUL PETERSEN, Espionage - R," be reported also in this case. This report reflected that no photographs were available on 9 individuals (among others), whose pictures were sought for display to THOMAS L. BLACK.

The above lead, originally set forth in the report of SA ARTHUR E. NEUBAUER, New York, dated August 19, 1953, and referred to in NYrelet of 1/6/54, was disregarded upon receipt of airtel dated 1/25/54, from the office of origin requesting same in view of the identification by THOMAS L. BLACK of NIKOLAI ERCHOV as his unknown subject, JOHN.

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1 New York (65-15415)
1 New York (65-15301)

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NEW YORK

FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
SAN FRANCISCO	APR 15 1954	3/12, 22, 24, 31/54	JAMES P. NYE deg
TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.		ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject's photograph displayed to SF T-1, T-2, and T-3. All of these sources state subject unknown to them by name or photograph.

DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
AMTORG DIRECTORATE
SLIP(S) OF declassification

DATE 2/23/78 RA

A photograph of the subject of this investigation was displayed to San Francisco T-1, T-2, and T-3, all of known reliability, and none of these individuals, all of whom were at one time familiar with some phases of Amtorg activity and/or Amtorg personnel, and these individuals advised that the subject is not known to them by name, description or photograph.

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DATE FORM 4-23-1954 HOW FORM 10-21-1954
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LEADS:

SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Will display subject's photograph to [REDACTED] and question him for information concerning the contacts, associates, and activities of the subject. b7c

SOURCES:

Identity of Source	Date of Information Received	Date of Information	Agent to Whom Furnished	File Number Where Located
SF T-1	Negative	3/12/54	PAUL C. FULLER	[REDACTED]
SF T-2	Negative	3/31/54	FRED R. ELLEDGE	[REDACTED]
SF T-3	Negative	3/22/54	DAVID C. SPENCER	[REDACTED]

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REFERENCE: Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN dated February 26, 1954 at New York.

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SAN FRANCISCO	APR 15 1951	3/12, 22, 24, 31/51	JAMES P. EYE dog
TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.		ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject's photograph displayed to SF T-1, T-2, and T-3. All of these sources state subject unknown to them by name or photograph.

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DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

A photograph of the subject of this investigation was displayed to San Francisco T-1, T-2, and T-3, all of known reliability, and none of these individuals, all of whom were at one time familiar with some phases of Amtorg activity and/or Amtorg personnel and these individuals advised that the subject is not known to them by name, description or photograph.

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject is not known to T-1, T-2, T-3 and T-4 who have some knowledge of Soviet espionage activity between 1938 and 1942.

DETAILS:

At Los Angeles, California:

T-1, T-2, T-3, and T-4, all of known reliability, who have some knowledge of Soviet espionage activity during the period subject was in the United States (1938 to 1942), examined the photograph of subject and reviewed his description without effecting an identification.

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LEADS:

LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At Los Angeles, California: Will, when [REDACTED] is available, exhibit a photograph of subject to him to determine information concerning subject's contacts, activities and associates.

INFORMANTS:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Date of Activity And/Or Desc.Info.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Agent</u>	<u>Location</u>
T-1	Negative contact	4/19/54	SA HAROLD F. [REDACTED] DODGE	Oral
T-2	Negative contact	4/21/54	SA FRANCIS D. [REDACTED] COOLEY	Oral
T-3	Negative contact	4/14/54	SA FLOYD [REDACTED] W. BROWN	Oral
T-4	Negative contact	4/15/54	SA THOMAS [REDACTED] E. BRYANT	Oral

REFERENCE: Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, 2/26/54, at New York.

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - B	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject is not known to T-1, T-2, T-3 and T-4 who have some knowledge of Soviet espionage activity between 1938 and 1942.

DETAILS:

At Los Angeles, California:

T-1, T-2, T-3, and T-4, all of known reliability, who have some knowledge of Soviet espionage activity during the period subject was in the United States (1938 to 1942), examined the photograph of subject and reviewed his description without effecting an identification.

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SAC, Philadelphia (65-4332)

THOMAS LESSING BLACK, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
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Rebulet 5/28/53 and attachment.

In view of BLACK's continued cooperation with this Division, it is recommended the Security Index maintained on the subject be canceled. BLACK has executed a registration statement, filed pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 (as amended), which will not be made public.

To insure complete control of information received from BLACK, a 134 file will be maintained UACB and the subject considered a Confidential Source of the Philadelphia Division re Espionage - R matters. Letter follows.

An indication of BLACK's cooperation is evidenced in the case "NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, WA. JOHN, ESPIONAGE - R" (Bufile 65-59452), in which BLACK on 1/20/54 identified ERCHOV as his temporary Soviet superior during the period 1939-1940. ON 2/7/54

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (65-16301)
SUBJECT : NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
ESP. - R

DATE: MAY 5 1954

Re NY report in instant case dated 2/26/54.

The name set forth in paragraph two on page 24 should
be corrected to read A. IVANES.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: May 20, 1954

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5787)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
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Re report of Special Agent WALTER P. GAVIN dated February 26, 1954, at New York, New York, requesting that photographs of the subject be displayed to appropriate informants.

There are no former employees or agents of MEB, who are informants, located in this territory, with the exception of [REDACTED]

If and when he is interviewed by this office, a photograph of ERCHOV will be displayed to him. b7d

On March 23, 1954, a photograph of ERCHOV was displayed by Special Agent JOHN J. MURPHY to [REDACTED]

did not know ERCHOV and could not identify his photograph. b7d

Effort is still being made to interview [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] recent efforts to locate him [REDACTED] have been unsuccessful. A photograph of ERCHOV will be displayed to [REDACTED] b7d

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No additional indexing required. Derogatory information regarding individuals listed herein other than subject previously reported or is currently being submitted by this office in individual reports relating to these persons.

Above applies, with the exception of those names checked in blue ink on right-hand margin, original pages.

New information. Normal indexing suggested.

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Agent.)

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Office Memorandum • UNITE STATES GOVERNMENT

TO Director, FBI (65-61847)

DATE May 24, 1954

FROM SAC, Los Angeles (65-5644)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESP - R
OO: New York

Reference is made to the report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, dated 5/10/54, at New York, wherein a lead was set out for Los Angeles to contact [REDACTED] when next available and exhibit a photograph of the subject to him. b7d

Inasmuch as the informant is [REDACTED] and it is not known exactly when he will return, this case is being placed in a pending inactive status and an administrative lead is being set out for [REDACTED] the control case for the above informant. b7d

CC: [REDACTED] b7d
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REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
SAN FRANCISCO	NY 26 1954	5/10/54	JAMES P. NYE djb
TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV - was.		ESPIONAGE-R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject's photograph displayed to SF T-1 who failed to recognize subject by name or photograph.

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negative. no dissemination

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DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

A photograph of the subject was displayed to San Francisco T-1 of known reliability, who stated that the subject is not known to him by name, description or photograph.

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SOURCES:

Identity of Source	Date of Activity and/or Description of Information	Date Received	Agent to Whom Furnished	File Number Where Located
SF T-1		5/10/54	STANLEY F. FEWSTER	674

REFERENCE: Report of SA JAMES P. NYE, April 15, 1954.

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6-10-63FORM NO. 1
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NEW YORK

REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE May 26 1954	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/10/54	REPORT MADE BY JAMES P. NYE djb
TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV - was.		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE-R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject's photograph displayed to SF T-1 who failed to recognize subject by name or photograph.

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DETAILS:AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

A photograph of the subject was displayed to San Francisco T-1 of known reliability, who stated that the subject is not known to him by name, description or photograph.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 7/8/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/22, 23, 25/54	REPORT MADE BY WALTER P. GAVIN
TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH KALINOV, was		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

S-1 did not know KALINOV and could not identify his photograph. SAM MARCARIAN preceded MR. KALINOV as superintendent of Valencia Apartments, 83-15 and 83-19 116th Street, New Gardens. Effort to locate MR. MARCARIAN in New York City negative.

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DETAILS:

On March 23, 1954 S-1, of unknown reliability, reported that he did not know KALINOV and could not identify his photograph.

A report of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York dated September 1, 1942 reflected that NIKOLAI E. KALINOV, 83-15 116th Street, New Gardens, Long Island, was moving to 83-19 116th Street, New Gardens. KALINOV's business was listed as purchasing agent for Antorg Trading Corporation, 210 Madison Avenue, New York City.

It was ascertained that the Valencia Apartments are located at 83-15 and 83-19 116th Street, New Gardens.

Mr. H. O. KELFEL, 83-19 116th Street, New Gardens, superintendent of the Valencia Apartments since 1943, advised that SAM MARCARIAN preceded him as superintendent of these apartments. Mr. KELFEL stated he has not

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NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV APPROPRIATE AND USEABLE INFO		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: T-1 did not know ERCHOV and could not identify his photograph. SAM NANCARROW preceded LEO MULVEY as superintendent of Valencia Apartments, 83-15 and 83-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens. Effort to locate SAM NANCARROW in New York City negative.		EX-3-1 2/25/78 R.A. [initials] 116th Street, Kew Gardens, New York City - DECLASSIFIED BY 736 ON 2/17/78	
DETAILS: On March 23, 1954 T-1, of unknown reliability, reported that he did not know ERCHOV and could not identify his photograph.			
A report of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York dated September 1, 1942 reflected that NIKOLAI N. ERCHOV, 83-15 116th Street, Kew Gardens, Long Island, was moving to 83-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens. ERCHOV's business was listed as purchasing agent for Amorg Trading Corporation, 210 Madison Avenue, New York City.			
It was ascertained that the Valencia Apartments are located at 83-15 and 83-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens.			
Mr. LEO MULVEY, 83-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens, superintendent of the Valencia Apartments since 1943, advised that SAM NANCARROW preceded him as superintendent of these apartments. Mr. MULVEY stated he has not			
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seen SAM NANCARROW for a long time and the last he heard NANCARROW was working as superintendent at the corner of 103rd Street or 104th Street and Madison Avenue, New York City.

Inquiries were made by the writer in the vicinity of 103rd Street and 104th Street and Madison Avenue, but SAM NANCARROW was not located here and was not known in the neighborhood. It was observed that all the buildings on the east side of Madison Avenue between 103rd Street and 104th Street were recently torn down. The building previously located on the northeast corner of Madison Avenue and 104th Street has also been torn down.

There is no listing for SAM NANCARROW in the current Manhattan-New York City telephone directory.

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T-1  <i>b7d</i>	Negative	3/23/54	SA JOHN J. MURPHY, WFO	Instant file

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It was ascertained that [REDACTED] and it is very indefinite as to when [REDACTED] will return to the U.S. *b7d*

LEADS

LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, California

When [REDACTED] is available will exhibit a photograph of subject to the informant to determine information concerning subject's contacts, activities, and associates. *b7d*

SAN FRANCISCO (INFORMATION)

One copy of this report is furnished to the San Francisco Office for its information pursuant to the instructions of the Bureau.

WASHINGTON FIELD

Washington, D. C.

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Will exhibit photograph of subject to [REDACTED] for information concerning subject's contacts, associates, and activities. *b7d*

Will place stops with U.S. Customs and INS so that the FBI will be advised in event subject returns to the U.S. (description of subject set forth on page 39 of NY report dated 2/26/54). *b7d*

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NEW YORK

New York, New York

Upon return of [REDACTED] will exhibit photograph of subject to informant for information concerning subject's contacts, associates and activities. b7d.

REFERENCE: Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, NY, 5/10/54.

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV - was.		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

T-2 and T-3, [REDACTED] unable to identify photograph of subject. Flash notices placed with Bureau of Customs and INS. b7d

cc-FBI 3-27 Case 2/21/4-1408/21

RUC (Con. p. 1- RHC, File Case-9/4/54-143)

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

T-1, of unknown reliability, [REDACTED] viewed on July 26, 1954, at Washington, D.C., by SAs EDWIN DALRYMPLE and ELIZURICE A. TAYLOR. The informant immediately identified a portrait style photograph of ERCHOV and identified him by his surname, stating that his first name was "maybe NIKOLAI." T-1 advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED]

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Upon further thought, the informant expressed the belief that ERCHOV had an engineering background and may have been connected with technical intelligence. He described ERCHOV as about 45 years of age now, 6 feet in height, slender, black hair, complexion dark, somewhat foreign appearance, although Russian, believes he speaks English; knows nothing of the family history or personal background of ERCHOV except he was probably in the service as early as 1939. b7d

T-2, [REDACTED] who has furnished accurate information on past occasions, examined photograph of NIAULAI ERCHOV and advised that subject was unknown to him. b7d

T-3, [REDACTED] whose reliability is unknown, advised that the subject was unknown to him after viewing picture of ERCHOV. b7d

On August 9, 1954, flesh notices were placed with the U.S. Bureau of Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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T-1 [REDACTED]	Identifying photo of subject	7/26/54	EDWIN DALRYMPLE and MAURICE A. TAYLOR	Instant File
T-2 [REDACTED]	Negative	3/23/54	JOHN JOSEPH MURPHY	" "
T-3 [REDACTED]	Negative	6/15/54	CARL F. MAISCH	" "

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LEADSCHICAGO DIVISION: (INFORMATION)

A copy of this report is being furnished to Chicago because of its interest in NIKOLAI ERCHUV as subject growing out of investigation of [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES DIVISION: (INFORMATION)

A copy of this report is furnished to Los Angeles in accordance with pending instructions.

PHILADELPHIA DIVISION: (INFORMATION)

A copy of this report is designated for Philadelphia because of its interest in the identification of ERCHUV by THOMAS L. BLACK

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LEADS (Continued)

SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION: (INFORMATION)

A copy of this report is furnished to
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instructions.

REFERENCES: Reports of SA WALTER F. GAVIN dated

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV - was.		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

T-2 and T-3, [REDACTED], unable to identify photograph of subject. Flash notices placed with Bureau of Customs and INS.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

T-1, of unknown reliability, [REDACTED] interviewed on July 26, 1954, at Washington, D.C., by SAs EDWIN DALRYMPLE and MAURICE A. TAYLOR. The informant immediately identified a portrait style photograph of ERCHOV and identified him by his surname, stating that his first name was "maybe NIKOLAI." T-1 advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED]

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV - WAS.	CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R		

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

T-2 and T-3, [REDACTED] unable to identify photograph of subject. Flash notices placed with Bureau of Customs and INS. 67d

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BY *Ref. Stateless*

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

T-1, of known reliability, who is [REDACTED] interviewed on July 26, 1954 at Washington, D.C., by SAs EDWIN DALRIMPLE and MAURICE A. TAYLOR. The informant immediately identified a portrait style photograph of ERCHOV and identified him by his surname, stating that his first name was "maybe NIKOLAI." T-1 advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 9/1/54

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5787)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R

(OO: New York)

Attached are six copies of a blank memorandum dated 9/1/54 containing information concerning the subject as furnished by [REDACTED]. This information was supplied to SAs MAURICE A. TAYLOR and EDWIN DALRYMPLE on 7/26/54. b7d

Two copies of this memorandum are being furnished to the New York office in view of the fact that New York is origin in this case. It will be noted that this information has been incorporated in the report submitted by this office under the date of 8/16/54. RUC.

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12 P.M. 2 1954



United States Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington 25, D. C.

September 1, 1951.

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. _____

RE: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV

On July 26, 1954, a confidential source of unknown reliability [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] identified a photograph of ERCHOV and also furnished his surname. The source stated that ERCHOV's first name "may be NIKOLAI." b7d

The source advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED]

b7d

[REDACTED]

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He described ERCHOV as about 45 years of age, six feet in height, slender build, having black hair, dark complexion with a somewhat foreign appearance, and believed he speaks English. The source knows nothing of the family history of ERCHOV and nothing of the personal background of ERCHOV. The source stated that ERCHOV has probably been in the MVD and its predecessor organizations since 1939.

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ENCLOSURE

65-61847-53

September 1, 1955.

RE: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV

On July 26, 1954, a confidential source of unknown reliability [REDACTED]

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The source advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED]

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SAC, New York (65-16301)

September 14, 1954

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NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R

~~SECRET~~

Re WFO letter 9-1-54 enclosing for the New York office two copies of a memorandum dated 9-1-54, which memorandum contained information concerning the subject as furnished by [REDACTED] b7d

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

My Cor 10-6-54

EWS:rmr

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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DATE 2/24/78 RT/rgt

Classified by 751
Exempt from G.C. 2
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2/21/78



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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: SEP 7 1954

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5787)

SUBJECT: **0**
NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: New York)

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of amended page 1 of the report of SA MAURICE A. TAYLOR dated 8/16/54 at Washington, D.C. Copies of this amended page are also enclosed for other offices as indicated.

Subsequent to submission of this report, the Bureau advised that the informant should be described as "of unknown reliability."

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1 - Chicago (65-3844) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
1 - Los Angeles (65-5644) (Info) (Encl. 1) (RM)
2 - New York (65-16301) (Encl. 3) (RM)
1 - Philadelphia (65-4828) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
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SAC, New York (65-16301)

September 23,
1954

Director, FBI (65-61847)

NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R

Re pending inactive report of SA Walter P. Oaven, made 7/8/54, at New York, which set out a lead to exhibit a photograph of the subject to [REDACTED] for any information in her possession regarding the subject and O-1 form dated 8/31/54, returned by you advising that [REDACTED]

b7d

In view of the identification of this subject as [REDACTED], Thomas Black and [REDACTED] since Erchov left the United States in 1942, the Bureau feels that consideration should be given to the closing of this case without contacting [REDACTED] unless the New York office has a particular specific reason for contacting that informant in this case. Consequently, you are instructed to review your files thoroughly to insure that all pertinent information concerning the subject has been incorporated in report form suitable for dissemination and that all necessary investigation has been completed and reported. Upon completion of this review you should submit your recommendations as to the advisability of closing this case. You realize, of course, that it is your responsibility to determine that an investigation has been brought to a logical conclusion before you recommend closing the same.

b7d

NOTE: Erchov entered the U.S. in 1938 and left for Russia in 1942. He has been identified by [REDACTED] Black and [REDACTED] as a Soviet agent. New York placed this case in a pending inactive status, awaiting the return of [REDACTED] in order to display to her a photograph of the subject. The Bureau is not aware of the specific reason why New York desires to show this photograph to that informant and consequently New York is being advised to consider closing instant case without contacting that informant.

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TO : Director, FBI (65-61847)

FROM : SAC, NY (65-16301)

SUBJECT : NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
ESPIONAGE-R

DATE: 10/5/54

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Rebulet 9/23/54 advising that the Bureau feels that consideration
should be given to the closing of this case without contacting [REDACTED] (u)

It is recommended that this case be closed without contacting [REDACTED] b7d
(u) b7d

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UACB, this case is being closed by the NYO. (u)

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Expiry from GRC, Category 2
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SEARCH SLIP

Subj: ERSHOV, NICHOLAS N.Supervisor Schwepp Room 173 P

Searcher

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Subj: ERSHOV, NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH

Supervisor SEHWERPE Room 1733

Searcher *PC*
By *PC* Date 10-12 Initial PC

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— ERSHOFF, NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH

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— (NR)

— ERSHOFF, NIKOLAI

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-61847)

FROM : SAC, New York (65-16301)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 10/6/54

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of a blind memorandum concerning subject and nine copies of a photograph of subject, date taken not known.

One copy of this memorandum and one photo of subject are enclosed for each office receiving a copy of this letter.

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New York, New York

OCT 5 1954

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NAME NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV

ALIAS Nikolai Nikolaeovich Ershov, Nicholas N. Ershov, "John"

PAST RESIDENCE 264 Harvard Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts (1938)

388 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts (February, 1938 - May, 1940)

73 St. Marks Avenue, Brooklyn, New York (July, 1940 - December, 1942)

63-15 and 83-19 116th Street, Kos Gardens, Long Island (1942)

DESCRIPTION

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	47
Date of Birth	April 16, 1907
Place of Birth	Smirino, Ivanova, USSR
Height	5' 10"
Complexion	Fair
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Scars and Marks	None known
Marital Status	Married
Relatives	Wife: <u>ANNE ERSHOV</u>

ACTIVITIES ERCHOV arrived in the United States at New York City, 1/19/38, giving his destination as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Massachusetts. He departed from New York City destined for the Soviet Union on 9/17/42. While in the United States, subject was employed by Imborg Trading Corporation at New York City and Washington, D. C. ERCHOV was identified by three different individuals as a Soviet Agent known to them. Another source, a

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October 15, 1954

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Attached hereto are four copies of a memorandum concerning Nikolai Nikolaevich Erchov.

Attachment

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cc - 2 - Legal Attache (attachment) SECRET-AIR COURIER
London, England

cc - 2 - Liaison Representative (attachment) REGISTERED AIRMAIL
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

cc - 1 - Foreign Service Desk

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 10/13/54

FROM : SAC, New York (65-16301)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: New York)

Reference is made to the lead for the Los Angeles Office to exhibit photograph of subject to [redacted] set out in NY report dated 7/8/54. b7d

This is to advise that a photograph of the subject was displayed to [redacted] at NY, NY, on 10/5/54 by SA HOWARD H. DAVIS. [redacted] did not recognize the photograph or name of subject and was unable to furnish any information concerning him. b7d

Case closed
by [redacted] 10/18/54 - H8

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1 - Los Angeles (65-5644) (RM)
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1 - Washington Field (65-5787) (RM)

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TO : E. A. Branigan *July 15*
 FROM : H. S. Schweppes *VI*
 SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
 ESPIONAGE - R

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1954ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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Exempt from G.O. Category 2Date of Declaration Indefinite*2/17/58*DETAILS:

Nikolai Nikolaevich Erchov was born in Russia on April 16, 1907. From 1930 to 1937, he attended and was a research analyst at the Research Institute in Moscow. He entered the United States at New York City on January 19, 1938, for the purpose of studying at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he was graduated in 1940. From 1940 until his departure in 1942, he was an employee of the Amtorg Trading Corporation in New York City and as such is known to have been in Seattle, Washington; White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia; and Chicago. He departed from New York City for the Soviet Union on September 16, 1942.

[REDACTED]

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Thomas L. Black, an admitted Soviet agent, has advised that during 1939 and 1940 he was in contact with a Soviet superior known only to him as "John." Black has identified his "John" as being identical with Erchov. According to Black, Erchov's chief interest was Trotskyite activity. He was not interested in securing information concerning industrial processes. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] operating in the United States in the 1930s advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was identified as Erchov, and thereafter, until [REDACTED]

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Photographs of Erchov were shown with negative results to various confidential informants with knowledge of certain phases of Soviet espionage during the late 1940's and early 1950's, such as Elizabeth Bentley.

Investigation in the vicinity of Erchov's residences in the United States failed to establish any evidence of subversive activity on his part. On 7-26-54, [REDACTED] identified a photograph of [REDACTED] b7D

Since Erchov and his family departed from the United States for Russia in 1942, and since his exact whereabouts is unknown, he has not been placed on the Security Index. In view of this subject's departure from the United States in 1942, for the USSR, this case has not been presented to the Internal Security Division for prosecutive option. Pertinent reports in this case have been disseminated to PAB, State, and CIA. Inserts on Erchov for the [REDACTED] have been received and will be given the usual dissemination. Crops against the subject's re-entry into the United States were placed with the Bureau of Customs and INS on 8-9-54. b1

By letter 10-5-54 New York advised its case on Erchov was considered closed. Review of Bureau references, as well as the subject's main file, failed to locate any information requiring further investigation.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, since all logical leads appear to have been covered and since the subject has been absent from the United States since 1942, it is recommended that this case be closed and that this memorandum be made a part of the subject's main file, 65-61847.

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RJ.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 11/19/54

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (65-5644)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: New York)

Re New York report 7/8/54 by SA WALTER P. GAVIN
in the above-captioned case which sets forth a lead for Los
Angeles to display a photograph of the above-captioned subject
to [REDACTED] b7d

Please be advised that when SA HOWARD H. DAVIS was in New York City on 10/5/54 a photograph of ERCHOV was made available to him by agents of the New York Office. The photograph was displayed to [redacted], whose comments were given to the New York Office and will be contained in a New York report. b7D

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cc: New York (65-16301) (Registered)

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9-28-56

TO : W. A. Brantigan ^{AB}
FROM: H. W. SCHWEPPPE
NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCIH
CSP-R

Heggy

Captioned case has been reviewed and careful consideration given to the advisability of any re-interviews, interviews or other action which may now appear warranted. In the event such now appears desirable, necessary action is being initiated.

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S. J. [Signature]

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9-28-56
TO : F. A. Brantigan 1086
FROM: H. W. SCHWEPPPE
NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa
CSP-R

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TO : F. A. Brantigan
FROM: H. W. SCHWEPPE
NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERGTOV, ~~W~~
CSP-R

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 1/27/56

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5787)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: New York)

In August, 1954, lookout notices were placed with All Collectors of Customs and with the INS concerning the captioned individual, who has been described by a [REDACTED]

b7d

In the opinion of WFO, procedures presently being followed by the Bureau in connection with the [REDACTED] make it unnecessary to continue these stops. Unless advised to the contrary by the Office of Origin or the Bureau within 30 days from the date of this communication, these notices will be cancelled.

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TO: T. A. Branigan, *A 370*

FROM: H. W. SCHWEPPPE

NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE-R

Captioned case has been reviewed and careful consideration given to the advisability of any reinterviews, interviews or other action which may now appear warranted. In the event such now appears desirable, necessary action is being initiated.

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BAC, New York (CJ-14737)

2/27/64

Director, FBI (65-37905)

ISCHAK ABDULOVICH AKHIEZOV, aka;
ELENA IVANOVNA AKHIEZOV, aka
ESPIONAGE - E

Re WFOlet 1/29/64 and New York letter 2/10/64,
captioned as above.

A review of Bureau files has disclosed the following information which the Bureau considers pertinent regarding the identification of Nikolai Erchov as a former Soviet agent [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] in a signed statement given to agents of the Chicago Office in 1954 advised that [REDACTED] was "reasonably sure" that Nikolai Nikolaevich Erchov was [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] b7D

The Bureau has also noted that Erchov was identified by Thomas L. Black as his Soviet superior who was known as "John." He stated that "John" was his Soviet superior for a short period in either 1939 or 1940 and it is noted that the time element involved in the case of Thomas L. Black and [REDACTED] corresponds. The type of information in which "John" was interested, according to Thomas L. Black, also corresponds with information furnished by [REDACTED] concerning Nikolai Erchov. b7D

In addition, [REDACTED] who was formerly involved in Soviet espionage has identified Erchov as a Soviet agent known [REDACTED] 65-61847

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In view of the above facts and in the absence of more concrete information that might indicate that MAR Akhiezov 1964 was known to [REDACTED] the Bureau feels that there is nothing to be gained by interviewing [REDACTED] at this time. It should be kept in mind that [REDACTED] ten years have passed since [REDACTED] indicated [REDACTED] was "reasonably sure" of the identity of Erchov as a Soviet [REDACTED] that the subsequent investigation of Erchov indicated that his identification as "John" is sound. b7D

58 MAR 1 1964

2 - WFO (65-4968)

1 - 65-61847 (Erchov)

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

1 - [REDACTED] b7D

ORIGINAL FILE N 65-57905-883

Letter to New York

Re: ISKRAK ABDULOVICH AKHMEROV, aka;
ELENA IVANOVNA AKHMEROV, aka
68-57905

The Bureau will be interested in any information that may be developed or received through any other sources that might serve as a sound basis for reinterviewing [redacted] in this matter.

b7d

NOTE:

NY has raised the question as to whether there is a possibility that Akhmerov may have been the Soviet superior of [redacted]. NY letter indicates [redacted] was hesitant in [redacted] identification of Erchov and never positively identified him. A review of the investigation involving [redacted] as well as the case involving Erchov indicates [redacted] in a signed statement indicated [redacted] "reasonably sure" that Erchov was the individual [redacted] in NY. It is also of interest to note that Thomas L. BLACK had [redacted] a Soviet superior who was known as "John" and that Black positively identified Erchov as "John." The same is true of [redacted] who identified Erchov as a Soviet agent [redacted].

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In the absence of some concrete indication and due to the lapse of ten years time, it is not felt that there is anything to be gained by raising a question with [redacted] as to the possibility that Akhmerov rather than Erchov was [redacted].

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Subject Victor Nikolsky
 Birthdate & Place _____
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